

Bird Species Observed in Montana through April 2012

Notes: B = Verified breeding records for MT
 b = Indirect evidence of breeding for MT
 t = No evidence of breeding for MT, transient
 W = Verified overwinter records for MT
 (12/15-2/15)
 w = Present during winter season

Species with fewer than 20 accepted records are listed in italics

1	Greater White-fronted Goose	t w
2	Snow Goose	t w
3	Ross's Goose	t w
4	Cackling Goose	t W
5	Canada Goose	B W
6	Brant	t
7	Mute Swan	B W
8	Trumpeter Swan	B W
9	Tundra Swan	t W
10	Wood Duck	B W
11	Gadwall	B W
12	Eurasian Wigeon	t w
13	American Wigeon	B W
14	American Black Duck	t w
15	Mallard	B W
16	Blue-winged Teal	B w
17	Cinnamon Teal	B W
18	Northern Shoveler	B W
19	Northern Pintail	B W
20	Garganey	t
21	Green-winged Teal	B W
22	Canvasback	B W
23	Redhead	B W
24	Ring-necked Duck	B W
25	Tufted Duck	t
26	Greater Scaup	t W
27	Lesser Scaup	B W
28	Harlequin Duck	B W
29	Surf Scoter	t w
30	White-winged Scoter	t w
31	Black Scoter	t w
32	Long-tailed Duck	t W
33	Bufflehead	B W
34	Common Goldeneye	B W
35	Barrow's Goldeneye	B W
36	Hooded Merganser	B W
37	Common Merganser	B W
38	Red-breasted Merganser	t W
39	Ruddy Duck	B W
40	Chukar	B W
41	Gray Partridge	B W
42	Ring-necked Pheasant	B W
43	Ruffed Grouse	B W
44	Greater Sage-Grouse	B W
45	Spruce Grouse	B W
46	Willow Ptarmigan	w
47	White-tailed Ptarmigan	B W
48	Dusky Grouse	B W
49	Sharp-tailed Grouse	B W
50	Greater Prairie-Chicken	b
51	Wild Turkey	B W
52	Red-throated Loon	t
53	Pacific Loon	t w

54	Common Loon	B W
55	<i>Yellow-billed Loon</i>	t w
56	Pied-billed Grebe	B W
57	Horned Grebe	B W
58	Red-necked Grebe	B W
59	Eared Grebe	B W
60	Western Grebe	B W
61	Clark's Grebe	B
62	<i>Manx Shearwater</i>	t
63	<i>Wood Stork</i>	t
64	Double-crested Cormorant	B w
65	American White Pelican	B w
66	American Bittern	B w
67	<i>Least Bittern</i>	t
68	Great Blue Heron	B W
69	Great Egret	t
70	Snowy Egret	B
71	<i>Little Blue Heron</i>	t
72	Cattle Egret	t
73	<i>Green Heron</i>	t
74	Black-crowned Night-Heron	B
75	<i>Yellow-crowned Night-Heron</i>	t
76	<i>Glossy Ibis</i>	t
77	White-faced Ibis	B
78	Turkey Vulture	B w
79	Osprey	B w
80	<i>White-tailed Kite</i>	t
81	<i>Mississippi Kite</i>	t
82	Bald Eagle	B W
83	Northern Harrier	B W
84	Sharp-shinned Hawk	B W
85	Cooper's Hawk	B W
86	Northern Goshawk	B W
87	<i>Red-shouldered Hawk</i>	t
88	Broad-winged Hawk	t
89	Swainson's Hawk	B w
90	Red-tailed Hawk	B W
91	Ferruginous Hawk	B W
92	Rough-legged Hawk	t W
93	Golden Eagle	B W
94	<i>Crested Caracara</i>	t
95	American Kestrel	B W
96	Merlin	B W
97	Gyrfalcon	t W
98	Peregrine Falcon	B W
99	Prairie Falcon	B W
100	Yellow Rail	b
101	Virginia Rail	B W
102	Sora	B w
103	<i>Common Gallinule</i>	t
104	American Coot	B W
105	Sandhill Crane	B W
106	Whooping Crane	t
107	Black-bellied Plover	t
108	American Golden-Plover	t
109	<i>Snowy Plover</i>	b
110	Semipalmated Plover	t
111	Piping Plover	B
112	Killdeer	B W
113	Mountain Plover	B
114	Black-necked Stilt	B
115	American Avocet	B
116	Spotted Sandpiper	B w
117	<i>Solitary Sandpiper</i>	b

118	Greater Yellowlegs	t w
119	Willet	B
120	Lesser Yellowlegs	t
121	Upland Sandpiper	B
122	Whimbrel	t
123	Long-billed Curlew	B
124	Hudsonian Godwit	t
125	Marbled Godwit	B
126	Ruddy Turnstone	t
127	<i>Black Turnstone</i>	t
128	Red Knot	t
129	Sanderling	t
130	Semipalmated Sandpiper	t
131	Western Sandpiper	t
132	Least Sandpiper	t
133	White-rumped Sandpiper	t
134	Baird's Sandpiper	t
135	Pectoral Sandpiper	t
136	<i>Sharp-tailed Sandpiper</i>	t
137	Dunlin	t W
138	<i>Curlew Sandpiper</i>	t
139	Stilt Sandpiper	t
140	Buff-breasted Sandpiper	t
141	Short-billed Dowitcher	t
142	Long-billed Dowitcher	t
143	Wilson's Snipe	B W
144	American Woodcock	t w
145	Wilson's Phalarope	B
146	Red-necked Phalarope	t
147	<i>Red Phalarope</i>	t
148	<i>Black-legged Kittiwake</i>	t w
149	Sabine's Gull	t
150	Bonaparte's Gull	t
151	<i>Little Gull</i>	t
152	<i>Ross's Gull</i>	t
153	<i>Laughing Gull</i>	t
154	Franklin's Gull	B
155	Mew Gull	t W
156	Ring-billed Gull	B W
157	California Gull	B W
158	Herring Gull	B W
159	Thayer's Gull	t W
160	Iceland Gull	t W
161	<i>Lesser Black-backed Gull</i>	t
162	Glaucous-winged Gull	t W
163	Glaucous Gull	t W
164	<i>Great Black-backed Gull</i>	t w
165	Least Tern	B
166	Caspian Tern	B
167	Black Tern	B
168	Common Tern	B
169	Arctic Tern	B
170	Forster's Tern	B
171	<i>Pomarine Jaeger</i>	t
172	<i>Parasitic Jaeger</i>	t
173	<i>Long-tailed Jaeger</i>	t
174	<i>Long-billed Murrelet</i>	t
175	<i>Ancient Murrelet</i>	t w
176	Rock Pigeon	B W
177	Band-tailed Pigeon	t
178	Eurasian Collared-Dove	B W
179	<i>White-winged Dove</i>	t
180	Mourning Dove	B W
181	<i>Inca Dove</i>	t

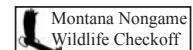
182	Yellow-billed Cuckoo	b
183	Black-billed Cuckoo	B
184	Barn Owl	B w
185	Flammulated Owl	B w
186	Western Screech-Owl	B w
187	Eastern Screech-Owl	B W
188	Great Horned Owl	B W
189	Snowy Owl	t W
190	Northern Hawk Owl	B W
191	Northern Pygmy-Owl	B W
192	Burrowing Owl	B w
193	Barred Owl	B W
194	Great Gray Owl	B W
195	Long-eared Owl	B W
196	Short-eared Owl	B W
197	Boreal Owl	B W
198	Northern Saw-whet Owl	B W
199	Common Nighthawk	B
200	Common Poorwill	B
201	<i>Whip-poor-will sp.</i>	t
202	Black Swift	B
203	Chimney Swift	B
204	Vaux's Swift	B
205	White-throated Swift	B
206	Ruby-throated Hummingbird	B
207	Black-chinned Hummingbird	B
208	Anna's Hummingbird	t W
209	Costa's Hummingbird	t
210	Calliope Hummingbird	B
211	Broad-tailed Hummingbird	B
212	Rufous Hummingbird	B
213	Belted Kingfisher	B W
214	Lewis's Woodpecker	B W
215	Red-headed Woodpecker	B w
216	<i>Red-bellied Woodpecker</i>	t
217	Williamson's Sapsucker	B
218	<i>Yellow-bellied Sapsucker</i>	t
219	Red-naped Sapsucker	B w
220	Downy Woodpecker	B W
221	Hairy Woodpecker	B W
222	<i>White-headed Woodpecker</i>	t w
223	American Three-toed Woodpecker	B W
224	Black-backed Woodpecker	B W
225	Northern Flicker	B W
226	Pileated Woodpecker	B W
227	Olive-sided Flycatcher	B
228	Western Wood-Pewee	B
229	<i>Eastern Wood-Pewee</i>	t
230	<i>Yellow-bellied Flycatcher</i>	t
231	Alder Flycatcher	b
232	Willow Flycatcher	B
233	Least Flycatcher	B
234	Hammond's Flycatcher	B
235	<i>Gray Flycatcher</i>	B
236	Dusky Flycatcher	B
237	Cordilleran Flycatcher	B
238	<i>Eastern Phoebe</i>	t w
239	Say's Phoebe	B w
240	<i>Vermilion Flycatcher</i>	w
241	<i>Ash-throated Flycatcher</i>	t
242	<i>Great Crested Flycatcher</i>	t
243	Cassin's Kingbird	B
244	Western Kingbird	B w
245	Eastern Kingbird	B

246	<i>Scissor-tailed Flycatcher</i>	t
247	<i>Loggerhead Shrike</i>	B W
248	<i>Northern Shrike</i>	t W
249	<i>White-eyed Vireo</i>	b
250	<i>Yellow-throated Vireo</i>	b
251	<i>Plumbeous Vireo</i>	B
252	<i>Cassin's Vireo</i>	B
253	<i>Blue-headed Vireo</i>	t
254	<i>Warbling Vireo</i>	B
255	<i>Philadelphia Vireo</i>	t
256	<i>Red-eyed Vireo</i>	B
257	<i>Gray Jay</i>	B W
258	<i>Pinyon Jay</i>	B W
259	<i>Steller's Jay</i>	B W
260	<i>Blue Jay</i>	B W
261	<i>Western Scrub-Jay</i>	t W
262	<i>Clark's Nutcracker</i>	B W
263	<i>Black-billed Magpie</i>	B W
264	<i>American Crow</i>	B W
265	<i>Common Raven</i>	B W
266	<i>Horned Lark</i>	B W
267	<i>Purple Martin</i>	B
268	<i>Tree Swallow</i>	B
269	<i>Violet-green Swallow</i>	B
270	<i>Northern Rough-winged Swallow</i>	B
271	<i>Bank Swallow</i>	B
272	<i>Cliff Swallow</i>	B
273	<i>Barn Swallow</i>	B
274	<i>Black-capped Chickadee</i>	B W
275	<i>Mountain Chickadee</i>	B W
276	<i>Chestnut-sided Chickadee</i>	B W
277	<i>Boreal Chickadee</i>	B W
278	<i>Red-breasted Nuthatch</i>	B W
279	<i>White-breasted Nuthatch</i>	B W
280	<i>Pygmy Nuthatch</i>	B W
281	<i>Brown Creeper</i>	B W
282	<i>Rock Wren</i>	B w
283	<i>Canyon Wren</i>	B W
284	<i>Carolina Wren</i>	t
285	<i>Bewick's Wren</i>	t W
286	<i>House Wren</i>	B w
287	<i>Pacific Wren</i>	B W
288	<i>Winter Wren</i>	t
289	<i>Sedge Wren</i>	B
290	<i>Marsh Wren</i>	B W
291	<i>Blue-gray Gnatcatcher</i>	B
292	<i>American Dipper</i>	B W
293	<i>Golden-crowned Kinglet</i>	B W
294	<i>Ruby-crowned Kinglet</i>	B W
295	<i>Eastern Bluebird</i>	B W
296	<i>Western Bluebird</i>	B w
297	<i>Mountain Bluebird</i>	B w
298	<i>Townsend's Solitaire</i>	B W
299	<i>Veery</i>	B
300	<i>Gray-cheeked Thrush</i>	t
301	<i>Swainson's Thrush</i>	B
302	<i>Hermit Thrush</i>	B w
303	<i>Wood Thrush</i>	t
304	<i>American Robin</i>	B W
305	<i>Varied Thrush</i>	B W
306	<i>Gray Catbird</i>	B w
307	<i>Northern Mockingbird</i>	B W
308	<i>Sage Thrasher</i>	B
309	<i>Brown Thrasher</i>	B W

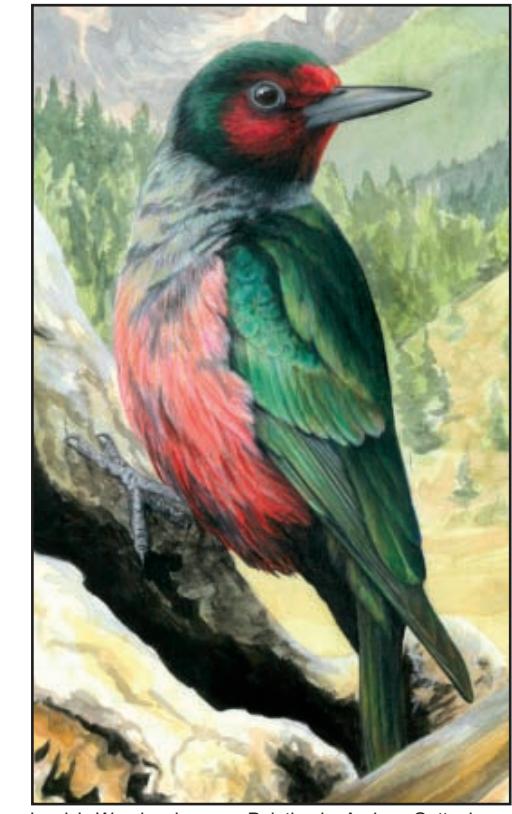
310	<i>Curve-billed Thrasher</i>	t W
311	<i>European Starling</i>	B W
312	<i>Siberian Accentor</i>	t W
313	<i>American Pipit</i>	B W
314	<i>Sprague's Pipit</i>	B
315	<i>Bohemian Waxwing</i>	b W
316	<i>Cedar Waxwing</i>	B W
317	<i>Lapland Longspur</i>	t W
318	<i>Chestnut-collared Longspur</i>	B
319	<i>Smith's Longspur</i>	t
320	<i>McCown's Longspur</i>	B
321	<i>Snow Bunting</i>	t W
322	<i>Ovenbird</i>	B
323	<i>Northern Waterthrush</i>	B
324	<i>Golden-winged Warbler</i>	t
325	<i>Blue-winged Warbler</i>	t
326	<i>Black-and-White Warbler</i>	B
327	<i>Prothonotary Warbler</i>	t
328	<i>Tennessee Warbler</i>	B
329	<i>Orange-crowned Warbler</i>	B
330	<i>Nashville Warbler</i>	B
331	<i>Connecticut Warbler</i>	t
332	<i>MacGillivray's Warbler</i>	B
333	<i>Mourning Warbler</i>	t
334	<i>Kentucky Warbler</i>	t
335	<i>Common Yellowthroat</i>	B w
336	<i>Hooded Warbler</i>	t
337	<i>American Redstart</i>	B
338	<i>Cape May Warbler</i>	t
339	<i>Northern Parula</i>	t
340	<i>Magnolia Warbler</i>	t
341	<i>Bay-breasted Warbler</i>	t
342	<i>Blackburnian Warbler</i>	t
343	<i>Yellow Warbler</i>	B
344	<i>Chestnut-sided Warbler</i>	t
345	<i>Blackpoll Warbler</i>	t
346	<i>Black-throated Blue Warbler</i>	t w
347	<i>Palm Warbler</i>	t w
348	<i>Pine Warbler</i>	t
349	<i>Yellow-rumped Warbler</i>	B W
350	<i>Yellow-throated Warbler</i>	t W
351	<i>Prairie Warbler</i>	t
352	<i>Black-throated Gray Warbler</i>	B w
353	<i>Townsend's Warbler</i>	B
354	<i>Black-throated Green Warbler</i>	t
355	<i>Canada Warbler</i>	t
356	<i>Wilson's Warbler</i>	B
357	<i>Painted Redstart</i>	t
358	<i>Yellow-breasted Chat</i>	B
359	<i>Green-tailed Towhee</i>	B W
360	<i>Spotted Towhee</i>	B W
361	<i>Eastern Towhee</i>	t
362	<i>American Tree Sparrow</i>	t W
363	<i>Chipping Sparrow</i>	B W
364	<i>Clay-colored Sparrow</i>	B
365	<i>Brewer's Sparrow</i>	B
366	<i>Field Sparrow</i>	B
367	<i>Vesper Sparrow</i>	B w
368	<i>Lark Sparrow</i>	B
369	<i>Black-throated Sparrow</i>	t
370	<i>Sage Sparrow</i>	B
371	<i>Lark Bunting</i>	B
372	<i>Savannah Sparrow</i>	B w
373	<i>Grasshopper Sparrow</i>	B

374	<i>Baird's Sparrow</i>	B
375	<i>Le Conte's Sparrow</i>	w
376	<i>Nelson's Sparrow</i>	B
377	<i>Fox Sparrow</i>	w
378	<i>Song Sparrow</i>	B W
379	<i>Lincoln's Sparrow</i>	w
380	<i>Swamp Sparrow</i>	t W
381	<i>White-throated Sparrow</i>	t W
382	<i>Harris's Sparrow</i>	t W
383	<i>White-crowned Sparrow</i>	B W
384	<i>Golden-crowned Sparrow</i>	b w
385	<i>Dark-eyed Junco</i>	B W
386	<i>Summer Tanager</i>	t
387	<i>Scarlet Tanager</i>	t
388	<i>Western Tanager</i>	B
389	<i>Northern Cardinal</i>	t W
390	<i>Pyrrhuloxia</i>	t
391	<i>Rose-breasted Grosbeak</i>	B w
392	<i>Black-headed Grosbeak</i>	B W
393	<i>Blue Grosbeak</i>	B
394	<i>Lazuli Bunting</i>	B
395	<i>Indigo Bunting</i>	b
396	<i>Painted Bunting</i>	t w
397	<i>Dickcissel</i>	B
398	<i>Bobolink</i>	B
399	<i>Red-winged Blackbird</i>	B W
400	<i>Eastern Meadowlark</i>	t
401	<i>Western Meadowlark</i>	B W
402	<i>Yellow-headed Blackbird</i>	B W
403	<i>Rusty Blackbird</i>	t W
404	<i>Brewer's Blackbird</i>	B W
405	<i>Common Grackle</i>	B W
406	<i>Great-tailed Grackle</i>	b
407	<i>Brown-headed Cowbird</i>	B w
408	<i>Orchard Oriole</i>	B
409	<i>Hooded Oriole</i>	t
410	<i>Bullock's Oriole</i>	B w
411	<i>Baltimore Oriole</i>	B
412	<i>Brambling</i>	t W
413	<i>Gray-crowned Rosy-Finch</i>	B W
414	<i>Black Rosy-Finch</i>	B W
415	<i>Pine Grosbeak</i>	B W
416	<i>Purple Finch</i>	t W
417	<i>Cassin's Finch</i>	B W
418	<i>House Finch</i>	B W
419	<i>Red Crossbill</i>	B W
420	<i>White-winged Crossbill</i>	b W
421	<i>Common Redpoll</i>	t W
422	<i>Hoary Redpoll</i>	t W
423	<i>Pine Siskin</i>	B W
424	<i>Lesser Goldfinch</i>	B w
425	<i>American Goldfinch</i>	B W
426	<i>Evening Grosbeak</i>	B W
427	<i>House Sparrow</i>	B W

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